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SATURDAY MARKET NEWSLETTER June 8th, 2024 • VOL. 55 - NO. 10 **30 E. Broadway #124, Eugene, OR 97401** (541) 686-8885

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Celebrate Togetherness & VOTE!

Greetings Artisans,

Celebrating Pride month always puts a smile on my face! We have LGBTQ+ pride "shout-outs" all month long. If you would like to be featured, contact Renee or Rachael today!

Don't forget that Board Elections are today, be sure to vote! Your Board volunteers work tirelessly for this organization, it is your responsibility, right and duty to thoughtfully vote for the best candidates. Be sure to vote and turn in your ballot to the Info Booth by 4:30PM. Ballots, candidate statements and security envelopes are all available for currently enrolled members. One vote per membership.

Last year we added two donate buttons to our website, one to support Eugene Saturday Market and the other to support the Kareng Fund. Anyone can donate directly to the organizations, including the greater community. As a member you have many contacts with the extended community of Eugene, Oregon, and beyond! (I had a generous yearly customer from Sweden that would make my Holiday Market extremely profitable). Let customers know about our website and encourage them to be community partners with us. The Eugene Saturday Market has been a crown jewel in Downtown Eugene every Saturday, for 54 years. Families have grown up with the Saturday Market as part of their tradition and experience. My children grew up eating pad thai on the grass, listening to great music. Encourage people to visit our site and show their appreciation however they can.

> Stay True, Shannon Lee-Hutson General Manager



Envelope Art by: Kat Franken

SM Promo Materials Available

Will you be vending at other shows this summer? Are you excited, but also wanting to remind this new audience that you regularly sell at the Eugene Saturday Market? If you answered yes, then please feel free to grab some free promotional materials at the Info Booth or Saturday Market office. We have posters, stickers, generic business cards, and rackcards too. Be sure to grab your free materials before you set sail to your next destination.

Why Support the Kareng Fund

Most artisans have a thin safety net for the life events that happen to all of us. We're so busy making and promoting our crafts that we have little time to think about things like retirement funds and savings...and we mostly do not have wage-earning jobs that provide benefits.

The Kareng Fund is that safety net for any crisis that threatens your ability to work on your craft and earn your living. When a tree falls on your house, or your garage burns, or your car is broken into and your stock and displays are stolen, the KF can give you a cash grant with no strings attached.

The only requirements are that you are a member of an arts organization (like Market) and your income is less than 200% of the federal poverty level (\$15,064 for an individual, \$31,200 for a family of four in 2024, times two) and your crisis is a serious one. We don't have the means to help you pay your fees for last year's Holiday Market, or other ordinary expenses you have incurred, but if you are in crisis, we are here to help.

Applying is simple on our website, www.karengfund.org, and you can also donate there. There is a donation button on the bottom of the Saturday Market website as well. The easiest way to support your fellow artists is to round up your fees on your weekly envelope, or give an amount of your choosing each week or whenever you are feeling generous.

We are a community and supporting each other is one of the most important things we can do for our own ability to thrive. Giving feels good, and when it is your turn to be in need, you will feel good about accessing this essential resource. The Kareng Fund was formed so that we could actively, continuously care for each other. It is passing the hat in the form of a 501c3 Nonprofit that was formed and is governed by your friends and associates from Saturday Market. All of the nine volunteer directors have had a close association with Market and most of us sell next to you every week.

Please help us with your money. We've given over \$120,000 in grants the fifteen years since we bought someone a water heater in 2004. Thanks to all of you who have supported us in the past and continue to do so. Stay tuned for our Silent Auction and Raffle at the Sustainability Rocks! Block Party on August 3rd. The Kareng Fund really matters. Donate today.

Thank You, Kareng Fund www.karengfund.org

Reserve Now for the August 3rd Sustainability Rocks Community Block Party

MARKETPLACE • COMMUNITY • CELEBRATION

As you have probably heard, Saturday August 3rd we are shutting down the streets and having a block party to celebrate the return of our sustainability program! We have added 30 spaces going up Oak Street and I am asking that anyone interested in selling that day, please check in early! That is all members reserved or not

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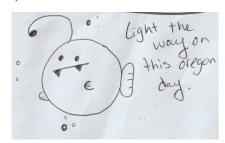
I plan on spending the week leading up to August 3rd placing pre-checked in members in spaces so I can really fill every space. There will also be spaces to pick from in the morning as usual, but hopefully we can shorten that process with a pre-check in. With so many extra spaces, we run the risk of check in going way too long.

As always, e-mail me any questions, concerns or ideas on how to make this a special day!

Sonia, Membership sonia@eugenesaturdaymarket.org

Fees & Late Fees Reminder

Remember, you must pay for your Market day by Wednesday to get your point in time for the next Saturday. Also remember that after 30 days a \$5 late fee is added to your owing, and after 60 days another \$5 fee is added for a total of \$10.



Envelope Art by: Alex Gilbert



Envelope Art by: Caroline Dunn

Booth Weights Available

Booth weights are required for pop-up booths and umbrellas. A flying booth can cause a lot of harm.

We have canvas weight bags with clips available at the Info Booth or during the week in the office for \$10 each or four for \$35. They are not filled. You will have to do that yourself, at hardware stores, Lane Forest Products or your own property.

The Market Corner

Happy Birthday to all our Gemini friends! Happy birthday to Barbara of B-Headed and Cassie of Cassafrass Art who celebrate this upcoming Monday. On Tuesday, June 11th we will celebrate Taylor the painter, Marisa of M Silver Ceramics, and Wayne of Ashes to Eternity. Happiest of days to Brennan of Inner Lights Lamps, who celebrates next Thursday. Happy birthday to Diana of Di's Tye Dyes who celebrates birth next Friday. Next Saturday, June 15th we will celebrate our General Manager Shannon and Lobsang of Key to Tibet.

A very happy birthday to you all!

If we forget your birthday, let us know! We'll be sure to include it in the following newsletter.

Local Events

June 7 - First Friday ArtWalk

June 7 - NCAA D1 Men's & Women's Outdoor Track & Field Championships

June 8 - End of Year Jazz Blowout

June 9 - Clay Space Spring Pottery Sale

Find more local events by visiting local event calendars online like: the Eugene Weekly, KLCC, Lane Events Center & More

We NEED Your Opinions! Should We Open in March?

The Board is considering opening in March, instead of April, starting in 2026. We would like to know what you think!

As the climate continues to change, there will increasingly be summer and fall days when the heat and/or smoke limits our ability to attract customers. Opening in March would give us more opportunities. March is the new April!

But what about the weather? There's no doubt we have some chilly and rainy days in March. But that hasn't stopped us from being open in October and November. And there is one more hours of daylight in March than in October.

So what do you think? Please let us know. Talk to any Board member (listed on the back of the newsletter), or send an email to Sonia sonia@eugenesaturdaymarket.org and she will collect responses for discussion at our next board meeting. We want to hear from as many people as possible. Thank you!

Maia Bowers, Board Member and Bird Shirt Artisan in space U1

UnClassifieds

To place your free unclassified, bring it to the Info Booth by the end of the day, to the office by Thursday at noon, or email it to us at info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org with "NEWSLETTER" in the subject.

KNOCK-KNOCK

Who's there? Ken. Ken who? Ken you take me to the beach?

FOR SALE: Garland & Wreath Machines

Wanna Spoon? #305 has a garland machine and a wreath machine - with wreath frames for sale. The wreath machine is used, still works great. This is a manual machine as is the garland machine which is newer but gently used. Looking for \$125 for the wreath machine and \$100 for the garland machine. Will take pictures to have in booth if any questions. - Wanna Spoon? #305

Need Bags? Ask Rudi Rudolf!

Small, zip-close plastic bags from about 1" x 1" to about 4" x 6". Most have a sticker on them. Most suited for storing small items. Take one or all! I hate to throw them out. See Rudi in space #103 or call/text (541)461-2897 to make other plans.

FOR SALE: 2009 Toyota Carola

One 4-door Toyota Corola available for sale. Unique shade of green, great shape about 109,000 miles for \$6,000. For more information call Sharon at (541) 510-8442.

Fresh Eggs from Happy Hens

Fresh eggs, holistically raised by Julia in booth #172. One dozen eggs for \$7.00.

Needing a Booth Buddy for OCF

I am a ceramics artist who is on the hunt for someone to share their OCF booth with me and my ceramic creations. I am currently on the share/waitlist, and would love to share with someone who has a booth. I play well with others, enjoy having fun, and can show previous examples of my work and booth layout from the past two Fairs. Let's chat! – Candice artbycandice@live.com or (541) 514-2865.

Seeking a Booth Share for OCF!

Hi friends! I'm a wildlife painter seeking a booth share for OCF. I'm a professional artist with a local following, flexible with spaces, and lovely to work with! You can check out my work at bekahzeimetz.com. If you'd like to create some fair magic together, contact me at:

bekahzeimetz@gmail.com or call/text (641)204-1575. Warmly, Bekah Zeimetz











Weather

Today is expected to be mostly cloudy but warm. The high will be around 82°F with a low of 50°F. There will be a 9 mph wind from the West, and a expected humidity of 54%. There is only a 5% chance of rain, and as we enter the hot time of year, remember your sun protection (sunscreen, sunglasses, and hats) and drink LOTS of water.



Sales, O sales, sales I hope!

Ancient Market incantation (Nov 3, 1973)

On the Market Stage

10:00 AM Linda Danielson & Janet Naylor

Celtic Fiddle & Harp, plus songs

11:00 AM **Jeremy Douglas Powers** Singer/Songwriter

12:00 PM Mike & Carleen McCornack

Acoustic Folk/Singer-Songwriter 1:00 PM **Big Fir**

Indie Folk Rock

Jamified Blues Country

2:30 PM **Uncle Stumbles**Late 60's Rock & Roll

Committee Meetings

Sustainability Committee Meeting Wed., June 12th - 4:15 PM - 5:15 PM

Orientation and Screenings Wed., June 19th- 3:15 PM - 5:00 PM

- New Member Orientation @ 3:15 PM
- Product Screening @ 4:00 PM

Standards Committee Meeting Wed., June 19th - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM

Guidebook Team Meeting Thurs., June 20th - 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

All meetings take place at the Market Office and on Zoom. Request a Zoom link by emailing info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org.

All are welcome!

The Saturday Market BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

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